# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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INCENTIVE SCHEME FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government is considering to launch any incentive scheme for bringing every agricultural research institution in the country on par with international institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a)&(b): Several efforts have been initiated over the years to bring about an elevation of standards in the level of agricultural research, development of institutions at par with international standards, like perspective planning, all-round strengthening of research facilities for overall development, human resource development and training, awards for recognition of individual merit and modernization of systems and infrastructure. There is also a specific scheme for incentives to individual scientists and institutions. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has instituted 89 Awards including 40 annual and 49 biennial, to recognize and reward the performance of its institutions, scientists and even farmers and a journalist. The list of these awards is given at Annexure-I. In addition, the deserving scientists are provided opportunities for training and/or collaborative research in frontier areas at select national and international institutions, and for participation in national and international conferences for their skill up-gradation and confidence enhancement through interaction. Short term specific research and development schemes under the Agricultural Produce Cess Fund of ICAR and the World Bank funded National Agricultural Technology Project were also awarded/approved to the deserving scientists which help them in their focussed activities and commensurate infrastructure and facilities have been provided to raise the level of research and institutions.

(c) Does not arise.

Annexure - I

DETAILS OF ICAR AWARDS

| S. No. | Name of Award | Whether Annual Or Biennial | No.of Awards | Amount of Award (Rs. in lakhs) | Total Amount of Award (Rs. in lakhs) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Sardar Patel Outstanding ICAR Institution Award | Annual | 3 | 5.00 | 15.00 |
| 2. | Chaudhary Devi Lal Outstanding All-India Co-ordinated Research Project Award | Annual | 1 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 3. | Jawaharlal Nehru Award for Outstanding Post-graduate Agricultural Research | Annual | 18 | 0.20 | 3.60 |
| 4. | Panjabrao Deshmukh Woman | Annual | 2 | 0.50 | 1.00 |

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| Agricultural Scientist Award | | | | |
| 5. Vasantarao Naik Award for Research Applications in Dryland Agriculture | Annual | 1 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 6. Jagjivan Ram Kisan Puruskar | Annual | 2 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| 7 N.G. Ranga Farmer Award for Diversified Agriculture | Annual | 1 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 8. Choudhary Charan Singh Award for Excellence in Journalism in Agricultural Research and Development | Annual | 1 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 9. Dr. Rajendra Prasad Puruskar for Technical Books in Hindi in the field of Agriculture and Allied Sciences | Annual | 9 | 0.50 | 4.50 |
| 10. ICAR Best Annual Report Award | Annual | 2 | | |
| 11. Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed Award for Outstanding Agricultural Research in Tribal Areas | Biennial | 2 | 0.50 | 1.00 |
| 12. ICAR Awards for Outstanding Multi-disciplinary Team Research in Agriculture and Allied Sciences | Biennial | 9 | 1.00 | 9.00 |
| 13. Bharat Ratna Dr. C. Subramaniam Award for the Outstanding Teachers | Biennial | 9 | 0.50 | 4.50 |
| 14. Best Krishi Vigyan Kendra Awards | Biennial | 2 | 0.50 | 1.00 |
| 15. Lal Bahadur Shastri Young Scientist Award | Biennial | 10 | 0.25 | 2.50 |
| 16. Hari Om Ashram Trust Award | Biennial | 4 | 0.40 | 1.60 |
| 17. Swami Sahajanand Saraswati Extension Scientist/Worker Award | Biennial | 4 | 0.25 | 1.00 |
| 18. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai Award | Biennial | 9 | 1.00 | 9.00 |
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